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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to MPEP Rule 714.01(e), a preliminary amendment will be entered if it is received in the Office on or before the mail date of the first Office action under 37 CFR1.104.

Applicants have noted that they made an error by not supplying a marked up copy of currently amended claims on a separate sheet of paper. Therefore, please cancel claims 1-21 and add newly written claims 22-28. Applicant made a call to Inventors Assistance to help with this amendment.

Please amend the claims as follows:

Cancel claims 1-21

22. (Newly Added) In combination with a fill and drain whirlpool bathtub having a water pump, closed loop piping system and output jets, further comprising: a housing having an input orifice and an output orifice and a flange to provide a mount to a tub wall and a threaded portion that extends through an opening in a tub; said housing having a sloped lower shelf that extends below the output orifice and provides for water in at least a segment of a closed loop